

REXROAT NOT  
AT ODDS WITH  
DEAD WOMAN

Dancing Teacher's Husband, at Macomb, Denies Having Quarrel.

## WARRANT OUT FOR HIM

Claims to Have Been at Home of His Father on Farm Since July 31.

Macomb, Ill., Sept. 29.—Everett Rexroat, husband of Mildred Allison Rexroat, found murdered at Wayne, is the son of W. H. Rexroat, a wealthy farmer residing ten miles southeast of here. He has never been in any trouble and bears a good reputation. He has been at the home of his father continuously since July 31.

He said that the relations between himself and his wife were pleasant and they had no thought of separating. He went to the train with her when she left for Chicago, Aug. 26, to put her three sons in school. When divorced she was given the custody of the children, but they live with their father by her consent. She said she intended to return here about this time, and Rexroat had planned to move to Bushnell, where he intended to work as an automobile machinist while his wife taught dancing.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 29.—Inquest into the death of Mrs. Mildred Allison Rexroat, whose mangled body was found on the railroad tracks at Wayne, was begun today.

Mrs. Rexroat married Everett A. Rexroat, a farmer of Macomb, Ill., a member of a large and wealthy family, two weeks after her divorce last spring from W. H. Allison, whom she married 17 years ago. Both men faced each other today at the undertaker's office, where the body of the dead woman was taken. Each showed emotion. Allison said nothing, but gazed steadily at Rexroat, who cried out as he turned away: "My God, does he think I did it?"

A warrant charging Rexroat with murder was sworn out last night, but this was largely to compel his attendance at the inquest.

The first witnesses were the engineer and fireman of the train which ran over the woman's body. They said they thought at first it was a child in the middle of the track, but an examination showed it was a woman's body.

A description of the man who left the train with the victim at Wayne, is five feet five, thick neck, big shoulders, ruddy face, blue eyes, wears gold rim glasses, and is about 35.

The woman's body had been mangled by being run over by a freight train, but a postmortem revealed a bullet wound through the mouth and brain. Mrs. Rexroat, or Mrs. Allison as she was known in Chicago, due to the fact that she kept her second marriage a secret, had been lured to Wayne on the pretext that a tango class was awaiting her instruction.

**SEEK MISSING TANGOIST.**

Search is being made for a resident of Wheaton who disappeared Saturday. The police are withholding his name, but they say that he was a frequenter of Chicago dance halls and had recently learned to dance the tango. It is said he is an employee of a corporation represented in Wheaton, but the name of the firm is also kept secret by the police.

State's Attorney Hadley and a deputy sheriff came to Chicago last night, going to the Congress hotel, in search of Charles E. Herron, whose name was found on scraps of paper picked up near Mrs. Rexroat's body.

## RING THREAT RECALLED.

Rexroat denied all knowledge of the death of his wife when questioned in Macomb. Members of his family corroborated his story that he had been home on the day of the murder. Several slender clues were made the basis of the warrant, the principal one being the story that Rexroat had demanded that the woman return a \$300 diamond ring he had given her. When she refused he is said to have threatened to "get it some way."

Rexroat and his wife had separated after having lived together but a few weeks. Mrs. Rexroat declared upon her return to Chicago that she had had no quarrels with her husband, but that he was "too lazy and too willing to let his parents take care of them."

Mrs. Rexroat wore the ring her husband had given her when she left Chicago Friday night to go to Wayne, in response to a telephone call from a man who gave the name of C. Spencer. The ring was missing when the body was found.

**HUSBAND'S VOICE CLEW.**

Another factor that resulted in the warrant against Rexroat was the sound of his voice.

According to Mrs. Ada Johnson of 6033 Eggston avenue, with whom

## "BATTER UP"



News Note—Preparations are being rushed for the third big war game in the Balkans.

DOUBLE LYNCHING  
AFTER 8 DEATHS

Drug-crazed Negro Boys Hanged Following a Reign of Terror.

## SHERIFF IS SLAIN IN FIGHT

State Troops Reach Harrison, Small Southern Town, and Check Race Riots.

Harrison, Miss., Sept. 29.—Two drug-crazed mulatto boys, brothers, began a reign of murder here yesterday morning that ended only after three white men, four negro men and a negro woman had been killed, 20 persons wounded and the two boys lynched.

A clash between the races was prevented by the arrival on a special train of a company of the National Guard from Natchez.

The trouble started at about 2 o'clock in the morning and at 10 o'clock Walter Jones, eldest of the two boys who started the firing, was lynched just after the soldiers arrived. His brother, Will Jones, had been shot and killed by citizens earlier in the day.

## BARRICADE THEIR HOMES.

Citizens of the town who had barricaded themselves in their homes began to emerge at 10 o'clock from their hiding places and by noon the town was quiet. No more trouble is feared. The dead:

G. R. HAMMETT, white, sheriff of Jefferson county; shot while leading a posse to the place where the Jones brothers were hiding.

FRANK KINSTLY, white, former constable; shot while at his home after being called to the door.

CLAUDE FREEMAN, white, of Fayette, Miss.; shot while at the railway station awaiting a train.

JOHANNA AIKEN, negro; killed.

TOM WEEKS, negro; killed.

JESSE THOMPSON, negro; killed.

THEAD GRAYSON, negro; killed.

TELLER WARREN, negro; killed.

WALTER AND WILL JONES, negroes; lynched.

Those most seriously wounded were Orrin Gillis, former sheriff, white; shot in shoulder and may die.

E. B. Appleby, white, conductor employed by the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley railroad; shot in breast, leg and arm; seriously hurt.

William McCaleb, white; shot in hand.

William Dennis, white; shot in leg.

W. C. Bond, white; shot in leg.

William Kinstly, white, son of Frank Kinstly; shot in hand.

**NEGROES FIRST VICTIMS.**

The shooting was started by Walter Jones, aged 20, in the negro quarter, where the negro woman and Thead Grayson were shot and killed. Walter then went to the home of his mother and aroused his 15-year-old brother. Together they proceeded through the main street of the little town, firing at every one in sight.

Citizens were awakened by the shots.

The two boys, soon after leaving their home, went to the home of Frank Kinstly, a former constable, and when he responded to their call to come out, he was shot through the head by Walter Jones. Kinstly's son William saw his father fall and reached for a re-

volver, but before he could fire he received a bullet in one of his hands.

## MAN KILLED AT STATION.

The Yazoo and Mississippi Valley station is near the Kinstly home and the two negroes walked in that direction. A train had arrived from Natchez just a few moments before and E. B. Appleby, a conductor, was standing at the station talking to W. C. Bond, a flagman.

The two negroes fired on them and both fell. Then the negroes fired at Claude Freeman, who was waiting for a train to take him to his home at Fayette, Miss. He was instantly killed. The negroes then fired into the train, terrorizing the passengers.

A sleeping car from Natchez is left every night at Harrison until the through train from Memphis to New Orleans arrives. After the train from Natchez had departed this car was a target for the fire of the two negroes. While many windows were broken, no occupant of the car was hurt. The two negroes then went to a cottonseed house nearby.

## SHERIFF IS SLAIN.

Frightened citizens by this time had gathered their wits together and telephoned for Sheriff Hammett at Fayette. Summoning former Sheriff Gillis to accompany him, Hammett started for Harrison on horseback, arriving about 5 o'clock. Some men were firing into the seedhouse, but no one had ventured to lead the posse to the place.

Taking a few men with him Sheriff Hammett started toward the seedhouse. Walter Jones, who had hidden in the tall grass near by, fired as Hammett approached. The sheriff was killed instantly. A shot from the seedhouse brought down Gillis.

By this time many farmers had come and a general fusillade of shots was directed at the seedhouse. A call was sent to Governor Brewer for troops.

## WILL JONES LYNCHED.

Will Jones started to run toward a coal chute near by but had gone only a few steps when a bullet ended his life. A rope was placed around the body and it was hanged to a telegraph pole near the station and became a target for every one not shooting at the seedhouse.

Soon after Will Jones was killed, Walter Jones shot at and killed Tom Weeks, a negro, who was near the coal chute.

Not long after Weeks was killed the special train bearing the members of the National Guard from Natchez arrived. While the soldiers were detaining the crowd rushed the seedhouse. As the leaders of the crowd went into the place they found Walter Jones completely unharmed, but not injured. They quickly placed a rope around his neck and rushed him to the coal chute.

## ROPE BREAKS.

As Jones was drawn up the rope broke and he fell heavily to the ground. Not a word or act of protest came from Jones when a larger rope was drawn around his neck and again he was pulled up. A large crowd watched the hanging.

The crowd then went to the home of the Jones' where they found two negro men whom they were about to lynch when soldiers persuaded members of the crowd to desist.

The mother of Will and Walter Jones said one of them had remarked that he was going to "shoot up" the town, but she thought he was joking. The two negroes found at Jones' house were arrested.

## Pope Much Better.

Rome, Italy, Sept. 29.—The pope's health was much better today. He said he felt stronger.

REBELS LOSE  
LARGE FORCE  
TO FEDERALSArmy Opposing Huerta in  
Retreat After Two Days'  
Battle.

## AMERICANS IN FLIGHT

John Lind Is Notified by President of Mexico That Rebellion Is About Ended.

Vera Cruz, Sept. 29.—John Lind, President Wilson's representative, today received a new declaration from General Huerta that the revolution is practically ended. Mr. Lind has accepted it with reserve. His information makes it appear that there is much to be done by the government before the statement that the revolution is under control is justified.

From a reliable source it was learned today that General Felix Diaz would arrive here Oct. 15. Partisans insist that he is to be put forward as a candidate and express confidence that he will be elected.

Piedras Negras, Mexico, Sept. 29.—Reports from Sabinas and Barroteran indicate that the constitutionalist army has met defeat and is in full retreat toward the border with 1,600 federal in pursuit.

Heavy loss of life is reported in the two days' fighting which began yesterday below Aura, when constitutionalists massed for a desperate attempt to check the long expected federal invasion of Coahuila, the constitutionalist stronghold.

The federals under General Maas moved north today, passing west of Aura and along the lines of the destroyed Mexican National railway between this place and Monterey, gradually forcing the constitutionalists back under heavy artillery fire.

## DESTROY FOREIGNERS' LANDS.

At Barroteran the constitutionalists endeavored to make a stand, but Gen. Pablo Gonzales decided it useless to risk his men until reinforced. All property which might have been used by the federals, much of it owned by foreigners, was dynamited or burned.

Muzquiz was abandoned by the constitutionalists and a number of federal prisoners executed when it was learned the federals had occupied the town. Tonight retreating rebels halted at Sabinas, reorganizing for an assault on the federals tomorrow with the assistance of 1,000 troops reported en route from Matamoros to join them.

The rebel advisory board asserts that it had contemplated the evacuation of the captured territory for some time, as troops could be used to better advantage elsewhere.

## REFUGEES REACH SAFETY.

Americans, who last week were ordered to leave the disturbed district, arrived from the front today and asserted that the great mining properties at Menom, Aguajita, Rosita, and possibly Esperanza, as well as the town of Barroteran, had been destroyed to prevent their capture by the federals.

At least 3,000 refugees from the disturbed district are reported fleeing toward Piedras Negras with the intention of crossing the border into Texas.

## DE LA FUENTE WANTS OFFICE.

Mexico City, Sept. 29.—Col. David de la Fuente, former minister of communications and public works in General Huerta's cabinet, has been put forward as presidential candidate by the so-called liberal republican party. This makes the third nomination for presidential honors.

The liberal republican candidacy was first offered to General Aurelio Blanquet, minister of war, but was declined by him with the assertion that he was not ambitious to enter the race, and would not accept the candidacy of any party. Dr. Gregorio Hernandez, a former senator, was nominated for the vice presidency with Col. de la Fuente. Both have accepted.

The name of this new ticket is not generally regarded as a matter of great political importance, since the sphere of influence of the liberal republicans is confined to the capital, and neither can have any great following.

The party has no definite organization, but consists chiefly of the adherents of a group of congressmen who constitute a wing of the opposition in the chamber of deputies to the Catholic party.

DUNNE IS TO QUAZ  
RAILROAD HEADS

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 29.—A public hearing on minimizing accidents at railroad crossings has been called by the governor in this city Oct. 4. All presidents of roads in Illinois and others interested are invited to meet the governor at the executive mansion to discuss the subject.

## THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 p. m. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.

Unsettled weather, with showers to-night or Tuesday. Not much change in temperature. Moderate variable winds.

Temperature at 7 a. m., 60; highest yesterday, 65; lowest last night, 58. Velocity of wind at 7 a. m., 3 miles per hour.

Precipitation, .05 inch. Relative humidity at 7 p. m., 96; at 7 a. m., 92.

Stage of water, 2.6; a fall of .1 in last 48 hours.

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

**ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.**  
Evening stars: Mercury, Jupiter. Morning stars: Saturn, Venus, Mars. Partial eclipse of the sun; not visible in the western hemisphere.

COURT DISSOLVES  
PICKETING ORDERWestern Federation of Miners  
Scores Victory in Michigan  
Copper Troubles.

Calumet, Mich., Sept. 29.—Despite a court injunction against picketing, copper mine strikers today showed lots of activity in Keweenaw county. Gen. Albee, commanding the state troops, will request the arrest of ring leaders. There were no disturbances today.

Circuit Judge O'Brien today dissolved the temporary injunction issued by him a week ago prohibiting picketing while miners are going to or coming from work in the copper mines. The decision is regarded as a victory for the Western Federation of Miners, who had made a fight against the injunction. The judge arranged to hear this afternoon an argument of the operators for an injunction against intimidation and violence on the part of the strikers.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 29.—President John P. White of the United Mine Workers today held unjustified a strike of 3,000 Bay City and Saginaw, Mich., miners who quit on account of the discharge of three men. He said the original trouble was subject to arbitration. The union declared the operators violated the contract in discharging the men. White ruled that the men should be reinstated and given three days' pay for the time they were discharged. White acted as arbitrator and ruled that the strikers go back pending a decision.

SUTRO SHATTERS  
FLYING RECORDSPerformances of Sopwith Are  
Surpassed by Stunts Staged  
at San Francisco.

San Francisco, Calif., Sept. 29.—A. G. Sutro of San Francisco, grandson of the late Adolph Sutro, broke four aviation records yesterday when he carried two passengers four and three sixteenths miles in three minutes and forty seconds. His greatest speed was 75 miles per hour, with an average of 51; weight lifted exclusive of machine, 900 pounds; greatest altitude, 800 feet. The previous record, held by T. O. M. Sopwith, was a little more than three miles in six minutes and fifty-six seconds, average thirty-five, maximum sixty-two and thirteen hundredths. The late Phil Parmelee had a weight record of 453.

DR. J. B. ANGELL IS  
IN SERIOUS STATE

Ann Arbor, Mich., Sept. 29.—Dr. James B. Angell, president emeritus of the University of Michigan, stricken by heart failure yesterday, was worse today. Symptoms of pneumonia have developed.

Rockford, Ill., Sept. 29.—An examination of Miss Julia Lathrop, head of the National Children's bureau, showed today she was not suffering with typhoid, as feared. Doctors think the illness due to overwork.

LODGE RELIEVED  
BY AN OPERATION

Nahant, Mass., Sept. 29.—Senator Henry Cabot Lodge was operated on for a growth in the right side Thursday last, it became known today. His condition was serious for 24 hours, but today he was said to be as comfortable as could be expected. Lodge appeared in unusual health when he returned from Washington, a few days ago, at the end of the tariff fight.

## BOWATER LORD MAYOR.

London, England, Sept. 29.—Sir Thomas Bowater was elected Lord Mayor today. He assumes office Nov. 2.

FREE LIST IS  
ENLARGED BY  
MANY ITEMSTariff Conference Report  
is Turned Over to the  
Republicans.

## CHANGE IN INCOME TAX

Only Those Below \$3,000 Per  
Year to Be Exempt—Reductions  
on Food Stuffs.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 29.—The conference report on the Underwood-Simmons tariff bill representing the adjustment of disputes between the senate and the house on the former's amendments, was made public today, when the democratic managers submitted it for the first time to their republican colleagues.

The tax rate on incomes above \$75,000 are increased 3 to 7 per cent and exemption is reduced to \$3,000 from \$4,000.

Articles added to the free list include cattle and other food animals, wheat, flour, flax, hemp, school text books, cement and asphalt. Woolen stockings, gloves and mittens are reduced on those valued at \$1.20 a dozen and increased on those above. The duty on angora wool and manufacturers from it is increased.

## NEW AUTO CLASSIFICATION.

The house rates on cotton stockings and socks are reduced as well as on articles made from cattle or goat skins. Most rates on iron and steel products are reduced. A new classification for automobiles is made placing machines valued below \$2,000 at a tax of 30 per cent.

Some more important changes agreed to include reduction on oats, butter, beets, extracts of meat, currants, chocolate and other provisions and vegetables.

The report is approved by eight democratic members of the full committee, but six republican members who had not met with the conferees refused to sign.

After adjournment of the house today Representative Payne, republican leader, began a systematic inquiry with the vital points in the bill as formally reported. He probably will make the chief speech against its passage by the house. Underwood is expected to reply.

## UNTERMEYER CONSULTED.

The senate banking and currency committee today took up with Samuel Untermyer of New York the construction of the currency bill. He endorsed the general principles of the bill, but objected to the language defining bank securities on which currency is to be issued, and which will be eligible to discount at regional banks. He said the language was too indefinite and should be narrowed to include only commercial paper representing the purchase or sale of some commodity.

LIMIT BIRTH RATE  
A NEW YORK PLANPlay Is to Be Produced to Further  
Movement for Stricter  
State Laws.

New York, Sept. 29.—As part of the campaign to establish new legal standards of morality in New York state, a group of sociological workers will soon stage here a play to which admission will be confined to those interested in sociological work, presenting for the first time in dramatic history the problem of limitation of offspring, now engaging the attention of eugenicists the world over. The movement contemplated for new state laws, include authorization to physicians to prevent the birth of undesirable children.

## THAW HAS BAD COLD.

Concord, N. H., Sept. 29.—Friends of Harry Thaw are much concerned because of a heavy cold which he contracted in the last few days, and seems unable to rid himself of. Thaw has been unable to sleep well and is somewhat thinner.

FORMER MEMBER  
CONGRESS CALLED

Oskaloosa, Iowa, Sept. 29.—Former Congressman John F. Lacey of the Sixth Iowa district dropped dead here today of heart disease.

Lacey fell dead at the door of his home after a trip down town. He said he felt ill when his wife met him at the door, but before he could drink a glass of water she got for him, he fell dead.